

Weekly Newsletter, May 6, 2016



ID PFH 60(2)

Project Description

This project replaces the existing bridge, which was constructed in 1934. It is in poor condition and not meeting today's bridge design standards. The new bridge will span 304-feet, as a one-lane asymmetrical suspension bridge, that includes a single steel tower 75-foot tall on the north end of the river. The project is expected to last until next winter of 2017.



Road and River Traffic Delays

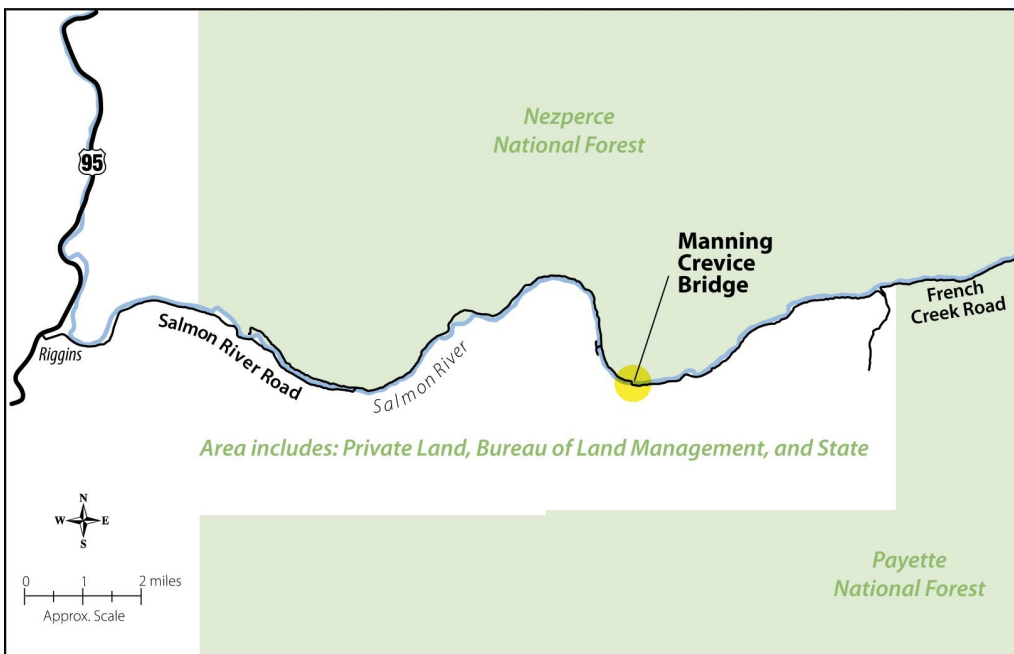
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Project Location

This project is located on the Salmon River Road, approx. 14 miles east of Riggins, ID.



View of work from newly installed project camera



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Road and River Traffic Delays

Public traffic and river users can expect the typical schedule in the table (**right**). The road and river is open to traffic during all weekends, holidays, and special events (**table below**). Advanced notice will be provided in the event of night closures. Short term river closures are only permitted for planned rock excavation activities, in which advanced notice would be provided, or for emergency situations. In the event of a short closure, river users can expect to see warning signs and flaggers posted upstream and downstream of the work. River passage will resume when the risk is mitigated and passage is deemed safe.

Construction personnel are aware of the frequent and popular river-use—

Please be aware of construction activity during all passage through the project for a safe and fun trip!

Weekends	All day (24 hours)
Holidays	All day (24 hours) Do not perform construction operations which interfere with public travel on the roadway between noon the preceding day and 6:00 am the following day or as otherwise described in this section, unless approved by the CO
Woman with Bait Tournament (February-March) ¹	5:30 am to 8:00 am 11:30 am to 1:00 pm 5:30 pm to 8:00 pm 8:00 pm to 5:30 am
Jet Boat Races (April) ¹ Riggins Rodeo (May) ¹ Big Water Blowout (June) ¹	All day (24 hours) Friday before event open road at 4:00 pm and return to normal schedule Monday 6:00 am
Hot Summer Nights (July) Salmon River Road Marathon (September)	Night before event open road at 4:00 pm and return to normal schedule 6:00 am day after event ends

Typical Schedule (Mountain Standard Time)	
6:00 a.m. to 8:00 a.m.	Open Road and River
8:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.	30 minute delays permitted
4:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m.	Open Road and River
5:00 p.m. to 10:00 p.m.	30 minute delays permitted
10:00 p.m. to 6:00 a.m.	8 hour delays permitted with road open to traffic on even hours (12:00 a.m., 2:00 a.m., and 4:00 a.m.)

No traffic impact will occur over Rodeo Weekend, May 7th and 8th.

Expect Night closures the week of May 9.



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When flaggers are not present in the daytime, normal yielding procedures are in effect when crossing the bridge. Workers may still be active on the jobsite.



Road Surface Conditions

The current road surface is dirt, which can be expected the same throughout construction, with normal signs of construction activity. Remain cautious of the road's narrow condition, and the presence of workers and equipment.



Current and Upcoming Work

The Contractor continues to build more temporary work platforms at the north abutment on the upstream side and the 110 ton crane will be positioned there for the majority of new bridge construction operations.



Crane unloading at rodeo arena